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So let me get this straight----Since the first privatization venture at INEEEEEL at Pit 9 went so well, we're now going to let the Queen of England (who I understand is the sole stockholder of British Nuclear Fuels) make money by burning nuclear waste and destroying our air quality. And not only is the Queen going to burn and crush the 65,000 cubic meters nuclear waste which has accumulated for 40-some years at INEEEEEL, but the Queen is also going to bring in from God-knows-where another 120,000 cubic meters -- that's about double what we have here and a whole lot of shipments. I understand that this is part of the Guv's brilliant Get the Waste Out strategy -- let the Queen treat what we have here and then bring in twice that amount to burn and foul Idaho's air-----Go figure.

And I understand that the nuclear waste the Queen is going to crush and burn is mostly the stuff that formerly was stored in the quonset huts but now has been moved to those fancy upgraded safe warehouses at the site. Meanwhile, the nuclear waste which had been buried willy-nilly for years is to remain there continuing to contaminate our precious aquifer. DOE recently admitted that actually there is 10 times more of this waste than they previously thought. It really is mind-boggling to me that they just now realized that there is 10 times more buried plutonium contaminated nuclear waste!!! I remember former Governor Andrus (before he became an industry whore) commenting about a similar big-time DOE goof---- that it would be difficult to lose a ton of potatoes, let alone a ton of plutonium. But the DOE continues to make these monumental miscalculations which continue to come back to haunt us.

And so, this proposal we are talking about today is to let the Queen of England crush and burn -- at a great profit to her royal self, I might add -- the very (and perhaps the only) nuclear waste that is somewhat safely stored at INEEEEEL. And in the